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3.	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below.						
4. 🗌	The US has been elected (Article 31).						
5.	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))						
	a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).						
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6. 🗌	An English language translation of the	International Application as filed (35 U.S.C	C. 371(c)(2)).				
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19.	A power of attorney and/or change of a	ddress letter.					
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FOR:

DEVICE FOR ASSEMBLING A SHIELD ONTO A TANK, SHIELD, ASSEMBLY METHOD AND TANK

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith:

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